such as increase in intake capacity in existing IITs and upgradation of Regional Engineering Colleges (RECs) and other similar premier institutions are being facilitated.

Reservation for SCs/STs in Paid Seats in GGSI University

2435. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether 15 per cent and 7.5 per cent seats are reserved for SCs/ STs respectively, in universities;

(b) if so, whether reservation is being given only against free seats, i.e. only against 50 percent of total seats to them for B.Ed, course in Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University and they are being deprived of reservation in paid seats, with the result they get only 7.5 per cent and 3.75 per cent reservation, out of the total seats;

(c) if so, the reasons for deprivation of 7.5 per cent and 3.75 per cent seats in paid seats; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take against such usurping of reservation, constitutionally provided to SCs/STs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT [DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA]: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) According to the information given by Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, the reservation is being given against free seats for the B.Ed, course based on the policy decision taken by Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi in consonance with the Supreme Court judgement in the Unnikrishnan's J.P. Vs. A.R Govt. Case (AIR 1993, Supreme Court).

Admission in engineering and medical science studies

2436. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that non-Government institutions, conducting professional courses generally take huge amount from the